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To: Subst. Senate Bill No. **391**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING CHILD CARE SUBSIDIES FOR THE UNEMPLOYED UNDER THE CARE 4 KIDS PROGRAM."

- 1 After line 15, insert the following: "The department shall issue a
- 2 <u>notice on the department's Internet web site and shall provide written</u>
- 3 notice to service providers any time the department closes the program
- 4 to new applications, changes eligibility requirements or changes
- 5 program benefits, provided the department shall not be required to
- 6 issue such notice when the department expands program eligibility.
- 7 Any change in the department's acceptance of new applications,
- 8 eligibility requirements or program benefits for which the department
- 9 is required to give notice pursuant to this subsection, shall not be
- 10 effective until thirty days after the department issues such notice."
- 11 Strike lines 70 to 96, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
- 12 following in lieu thereof:

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"(d) Not later than January 1, 2011, an applicant determined to be eligible for program benefits shall remain eligible for such benefits for a period of not less than eight months from the date that such applicant is determined to be eligible, provided the commissioner has not determined, during such eight-month period, that the applicant's circumstances have changed so as to render the applicant ineligible for program benefits. The commissioner shall not make an eligibility determination for a recipient of program benefits more than one time per eight-month period, except as provided in subsection (e) of this section.

(e) Not later than October 15, 2011, the commissioner shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to human services and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies concerning eligibility redeterminations made on an eight-month basis. Such report shall include an analysis of overpayments of program benefits made by the department and administrative costs incurred by the department as a result of eligibility redeterminations made on an eight-month basis. On and after October 15, 2011, the commissioner may make eligibility redeterminations on a six-month basis if, after January 1, 2011, the department's overpayments of program benefits have increased in comparison with the period between January 1, 2010, and December 31, 2010, as a result of having an eight-month eligibility redetermination period."